

WEALTHY LITTLE TOWN

Casper, Wyo., the Abode of
Many Sheep Owners.

MEMORIAL TO AN OFFICER

Bravery of Lieut. Collins Recalled
by Name of Place.

FAMOUS HOLE IN THE WALL

Rise of the Immigrants From Scot-
land and Ireland—Success of
Mrs. C. C. Moore.BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.
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CASPER, Wyo., July 28, 1909.

In the early fifties a Frenchman named Louis Ganard built a toll bridge across the North Platte river where the little city of Casper now stands. He had a sliding scale of prices which were adjusted according to the state of water in the river. If the stream was low, so that emigrant trains could ford it, he charged only \$3 or \$5 for every wagon. If the stream was running high, so that the trains could not cross by the ford, he charged from \$20 to \$25. This enterprise was kept up for a number of years and made Ganard rich. His wife was a Shoshone squaw, and two half-breed nephews assisted him and afterward inherited his money. In 1858 he built a bridge of cedar logs, resting on cribs filled with stone, which cost him \$60,000, and it was the most notable structure of the kind west of the Missouri river.

In 1858 a military camp was established beside the bridge for the protection of emigrant trains and did good service. In July, 1866, the hostile Indians became dangerous and kept the troops busy. In July of that year, when two paymasters were expected at the post, Maj. Howard, the commandant, was very anxious about their safety, and Lieut. Casper W. Collins, the youngest man at the post, volunteered to lead a detachment to rescue them. He started with twenty-five mounted men at 6:30 on the morning of July 26, 1866, and there never was a braver band or a more valiant leader. Within a few miles of the post they were ambushed and attacked by twelve of fifteen hundred Cheyennes. Collins and his men attended to their own safety, and the post, but, finding that it was impossible to hold them in a compact body, he gave the command for every man to make his escape the best he could. A powerful gray horse, which young Collins was riding, became frightened and ran away when Collins was trying to rescue a dying soldier. The Indians pursued him and his body was found the next day on Casper creek, about a mile from the place where he had attempted to rescue the wounded trooper. He was stripped of his first lieutenant's uniform, which he had put on for the first time when his commission reached him a few days before, but he was not scalped or mutilated like the soldiers.

Casper Collins was born in Hillsboro, Ohio, September 30, 1844, and, consequently, at the time of his death, was twenty-two years, nine months and twenty-six days old. He was a son of William O. Collins of the 11th Ohio Cavalry, who had a brilliant record for fighting, both in the civil war and on the plains. The post and town of Fort Collins, Colo., was named in his honor. The son joined his father at Fort Laramie in 1862 when he was not quite a year old. He was appointed a second lieutenant a few months later and received his commission as first lieutenant only a few days before his death. Preston B. Plumb, afterward senator for three terms, United States senator from Kansas, was lieutenant colonel of this regiment.

Named After Lieut. Collins.

The death of Lieut. Collins and his brave men caused Maj. Gen. Pope, then in command of this department, to issue an order, dated November 21, 1866, which reads as follows:

"The military post situated at the bridge between Deer and Rock creeks, on the Platte river, will hereafter be known as Fort Casper, in honor of Lieut. Casper Collins, 11th Ohio Cavalry, who lost his life while gallantly attacking a superior force of Indians at that place."

The town stands about two miles from the scene of the fight, and, as I told you yesterday, is one of the most attractive little cities in the west. It has a population of about 2,000 and is one of the few other places of the same size, unless it be one of the suburban residence towns near New York and Boston or other of the eastern cities, that has a ratio of wealth per capita. The money was made in sheep and wool. Nearly all of the beautiful houses, the churches and shaded streets are occupied by "sheep men" who have flocks of 20,000, 30,000, 60,000 and even 80,000 ranging upon the mountain sides within a hundred miles from Casper.

A large number of these "sheep men" are Irish and Scotch, long-legged, tawny-haired, blue-eyed, wiry fellows, most of whom were imported in ignorance of the contract labor laws to grow wool with the sheep. They are the best kind of citizens, are industrious, enterprising, temperate and intelligent, and have added their full share and more to the wealth of this country. Their names suggest relationship to the fine old Irish aristocracy, but others came from the peasant class and began their careers as young and hardy men.

The general passenger and freight agent of the Northwestern railway, who spends most of his time riding the range and making contracts with wool growers for the shipment of their "clips," is Julian Lever, a grandnephew of Charles Lever, the prince of Irish story tellers, "Dick," as he is known, is beloved in every sheep camp in Wyoming. You are not long in finding that he is a welcome guest at every ranch house and camp fire after you have heard him tell a few stories. He has a pretty home in Casper, and he has a pretty home in the heart of every sheepman who has just returned from a finishing school in Illinois.

Senator Pat Sullivan, the political boss in that part of the world, says that when he first ran for office there were only eight Irish votes in Natrona county. Now there are over 10,000. "An' every man o' 'em has a big bank account," he added, "an' credit for more."

Father of the Wyoming Shepherds.

John Mahoney is the father of all the shepherds in Wyoming. He came over many years ago. Having nothing better to do upon his arrival, he enlisted in the 3d Cavalry and was a typical Irish dragon. He fought hard and frequently was wounded several times. The most valuable article in his possession, which he would not trade for all the sheep in the county, is a medal of honor won at the Thornburg massacre for bravery. When he was mustered out he worked a band of sheep on shares for Miller & Hunt in Colorado, and after three years, by saving his money as the rest of the Irish boys have done, bought a flock of his own and pastured it near Rawlins on the government ranges. Now he has a flock of 30,000 sheep, a herd of 7,000 cattle and two large ranches. He is a typical kind of stock, near Casper and Rawlins Butte.

He reported his herders from County Cork and the parish he came from, and his most valuable importation was Pat Sullivan, to whom I have already alluded.

The boys came young and formed their habits here; most of them started out as herders with a band of sheep, first for wages and then for shares. They saved their money, and, buying a head at a time, soon had flocks of their own and were rich beyond the dreams of their relatives in County Cork.

Donald and James Mitchell were the first Scotchmen to come, and they have imported several like lots of highlanders who are doing equally well. The Scotchmen are said to be more economical than

Toilets Reduced.

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| 25c | SOZODONT, PASTE OR LIQUID. | 15c |
| 15c | EASTMAN'S VIOLET TALCUM. | 8c |
| 10c | VIOLET AMMONIA (8-oz.). | 5c |
| 5c | REXOLIN. | 2c |
| 5c | DR. CHARLES' FLESH FOOD. | 3c |
| 5c | POMPEIAN MASSAGE CREAM. | 4c |
| 5c | ELITE LILY TOILET WATER. | 2c |
| 5c | ONGOLINE. | 2c |
| 5c | PINAUD'S BRILLIANTINE. | 2c |
| 5c | LUSTRE-NAIL ENAMEL. | 10c |
| 5c | PROPHYLACTIC TOOTH BRUSH. | 10c |
| 5c | MENTHOLATUM. | 10c |

—First Floor.

Every Purchase Will Gladly Be Charged and You Can Pay Later On.

HECH & COMPANY

513-515-517 7TH ST.

Store Hours Are Now From 8 to 5; on Saturdays Close at 6.

The Entire Stock of Men's Suits
At Exactly Half Price!
All Plain Blues & Blacks
At One-Third Off.

This sale is a record-breaker, as it well deserves to be. You'll admit that it must be an extraordinary event that makes you a clear and clean present of half the purchase money and gives you the entire stock of fancy suits to choose from. Pick and choose what you will—half the marked price makes it yours.

And there's another magnetic feature that will add zest to the sale—all the fine plain blues and plain blacks, serges, fancy weaves, rich black tibets and unfinished worsteds—all are now in the sale at

One-Third Reduced!

Men's Trousers Sale.

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| THE \$1.50 TROUSERS AT. | \$1.00 |
| THE \$2.00 TROUSERS AT. | \$1.50 |
| THE \$3.00 AND \$4.50 TROUSERS. | \$2.00 |
| THE \$4.00 AND \$5.50 TROUSERS. | \$2.50 |
| THE \$5.00 TROUSERS. | \$3.00 |
| THE \$6.00 TROUSERS. | \$3.50 |
| THE \$7.00 TROUSERS. | \$4.25 |

Sale Specials in Clothing.

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| 60 PAIRS MEN'S OUTING TROUSERS, SOLD AT \$3.50, \$4 AND \$4.50. | \$2.00 |
| YOUTH'S LONG PANTS, 16 TO 19 YEARS, SOLD AT \$3.00 AND \$3.50. | \$2.00 |
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| MEN'S WHITE DUCK TROUSERS, SLIGHTLY SOILED, SELL AT \$1.50. | 30c |
| MEN'S FANCY AND WASH VESTS, SOLD AT \$1.50; REDUCED TO HALF. | 75c |

—Fourth Floor.

MEN'S FURNISHINGS.

A price-regardless clearance in the Men's Department that means money-saving extraordinary for tomorrow.

Men's and Boys' Percal and Madras Shirts; slightly mussed from display. Sold at 59c and 75c..... 15c

Men's High-grade and Finest Quality Madras and Percal Shirts, sold up to \$2, for quick clearance..... 69c

Men's Extra Quality Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers. Sold usually at 50c. To be closed out at..... 33c

Men's Nainsook Athletic Shirts and Drawers. Value, 39c..... 24c

Men's Lisle Suspenders, made of best 25c and 50c webs. To be closed out tomorrow at..... 9c

Men's Seamless Black Half Hose; all sizes. Sold everywhere at 10c and 12½c. To close out at..... 5½c

Men's Plain and Fancy Mercerized Half Hose. The qualities sold at 25c and 35c. To be closed out at..... 17c

Men's Plated Collar Buttons of all kinds. Sold regularly at 5c each. To be closed out tomorrow at, per dozen..... 7½c

Men's Leather Belts, in many styles and kinds. Values up to 50c. For a quick clearance reduced to..... 24c

Men's 4-ply Linen Collars; not all sizes. Sold regularly at 12½c. While they last to be closed out at..... 4½c

Straw Hats.

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| Men's Straw Hats, sold up to \$3 (7, 7½, 7¾, 7⅞) | 98c |
| Child's \$2 Straws | 98c |
| Child's 50c and 75c Straws | 39c |
| Child's 39c Duck and Linen Tams | 15c |
| Child's 25c Mexican Hats | 15c |
| Men's \$2 White Crush Hats | 50c |

—Fourth Floor.

Boys' Wear.

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| YOUNG MEN'S LONG PANTS SUITS, sizes 14 to 19 years; sold up to \$17; all new shades. | \$9.75 |
| BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED SUITS, bloomer knee pants; 7 to 17 years. Sell up to \$8. | \$3.49 |
| BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED SUITS, straight and bloomer pants. Sold up to \$6. | \$1.98 |
| BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED SUITS, bloomer pants; 7 to 16 years. Selling at \$3. | \$1.29 |
| BOYS' DOUBLE-BREADED SUITS, bloomer pants; sizes 10 to 16. Sold at \$7. | \$3.98 |
| BOYS' WASH SUITS, SAILOR AND RUSSIAN blouse styles. Sell at \$2.50. | 98c |
| BOYS' WASH SUITS, IN THE SAILOR blouse style; 4, 5 and 6 years. Sell at \$1.50. | 69c |
| BOYS' SAILOR BLOUSE WASH SUITS; SIZES 3 to 7 years. Selling at \$1. | 39c |
| BOYS' WASH KNEE PANTS, BLOOMER style; sizes 3, 4 and 5 years. Sell at 50c. | 25c |
| BOYS' BASE BALL SUITS, ALL COMPLETE; sizes 6 and 7 years. Selling at \$1.00. | 39c |
| BOYS' LAUNDERED WAISTS, IN SIZES 8 and 9 years. Selling at 50c. | 29c |
| BOYS' 25c BLOUSE WAISTS. | 15c |
| BOYS' 25c BROWNIE OVERALLS. | 15c |

—Fourth Floor.

Greatest Reductions Ever Made
in Women's Summer Wear.

Stylish and Handsome Suits, in the latest and most popular coat styles; made of the best materials and perfectly tailored. They are in white, tan, pink, blue, gray, brown, reseda and natural linen color; all are exclusive, new styles—bright, clean and fresh. The values are as high as \$10.00. The clearance price..... \$2.98

Finest \$15 Suits at \$5.00. There's a variety of extremely stylish suits in finest ramic cloth, Irish linens, Scotch linens, natural linens and all the favorite shades, including white, natural, pink, blue, gray, mustard, etc. The choice embraces many exclusive creations and styles. All of these beautiful \$15.00 Suits go on sale at..... \$5.00

CHOICE OF ANY WHITE OR COLORED LINEN SUIT, REP OR LINEN PRINCESS, White and Colored Lingerie Dresses. These Dresses have been selling up to as high as \$16.75. Sale price for clearance..... \$7.98

DRESSES IN FINE LINENES, LAWNS, IMPORTED PERCALES, COLORS ARE pink, blue, white, lavender, linen color, gray. The styles included are: Jumper Dresses, One-piece Dresses, Princess Dresses, etc. These Dresses are \$5.00 to \$7.50 values. For clearance at..... \$2.98

LARGE LOT OF BEAUTIFUL ONE-PIECE WASH DRESSES, OF FINE BATISTE AND lawns; pink, blue, lavender and black on white grounds; all sizes to 40. All \$2.50 value. For clearance they are to be closed out at..... 98c

—Second Floor.

Millinery Almost
Given
Away.

Peremptory clearance is the word in the Millinery section, and price cuts no figure whatever. All Trimmed Hats at these prices—



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| \$5 Hats = | 98c |
| \$8 Hats = | \$1.98 |
| \$10 Hats = | \$2.98 |
| \$15 Hats = | \$3.98 |

—Third Floor.

Footwear Bargains.

Women's White Ankle-strap Pumps, with fine turn sole and Cuban heels; very stylish and popular. The value is \$2. A very special Saturday sale at... \$1.29

Women's Patent Leather Gray-top Oxfords; also Gray Suede Oxfords; in broken sizes; also Patent Leather, Tan and Gun Metal Pumps. Value is \$3. For the clearance... \$1.69

Men's Tan, Gun Metal and Patent Leather Blucher Cut Oxfords, with best welt soles. Values are \$4, \$5 and \$6. Special price... \$3.39

Women's Stylish Brown Suede and Brown Calf Strap Pumps; also Patent Leather, Welt-sole Oxfords; not all sizes. Values \$3.50 and \$4. For the clearance... \$2.29

Men's High-grade Patent Leather, Gun Metal and Tan Oxfords; also some high shoes in the lot; all fine welts. Value, \$4. Clearance price... \$2.29

Misses' and Children's White Strap Pumps; extra nice qualities; sizes 8½ to 2. Value, \$2.50. For Saturday reduced... \$1.29

—First Floor.

10c Glass, 5c.

After 12:30 tomorrow we will sell these heavy, highly polished iced tea and soda glasses, in the handsome flat-topped colonial pattern like illustration. They have extra heavy base, with flare top and semi-flare effect base; value, 10c, 5c each, 55c dozen, after 12:30 tomorrow.



10c Glass, 5c.

—Fifth Floor.

Groceries—3-Day Sale.

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| For tomorrow, Monday and Tuesday these low prices: | |
| SPECIAL—Tomorrow in the Grocery Department we will sell 7 cakes of B. T. Babbitt's Best Soap and one box Scouring Powder (with sprinkler top) all for..... 25c | |
| CHOICE, LEAN SUGAR-CURED HAMS..... 13½c | |
| ENDLESS BACON STICKS..... 17c | |
| PILLSBURY'S BEST FLOUR, 5 BBL..... 98c | |
| BEST GRANULATED SUGAR, 25 LBS..... \$1.30 | |
| BEST GRANULATED SUGAR, 10 LBS..... 69c | |
| SALMON STEAK, FLAT CANS..... 69c | |
| PEAS, FAMILY BRAND..... 74c | |
| CORN, SHOE PEG BRAND..... 69c | |
| TOMATOES, SCOTLAND BRAND..... 25c | |
| LARD, IN 5-LB. PAILS..... 69c | |
| QUAKER CORN FLAKES..... 74c | |
| TEA-CHAM TEA, ½ LB..... 13c | |
| H. O. OATS, LARGE PKG..... 10c | |
| WATER BAKER'S CHOCOLATE, 1 LB..... 35c | |
| SARDINES, IN OIL..... 24c | |
| VAN CAMP'S EVAPORATED MILK..... 74c | |
| HY-VEE'S COCOA, 10c SIZE..... 69c | |
| BEEF, HAM AND VEAL LOAF, CAN..... 5c | |
| PINEAPPLE MARMALADE..... 13c | |
| H. O. OATS, LARGE PKG..... 10c | |
| ARGO LUMP STARCH..... 34c | |
| ITALIAN OLIVE OIL, 3c BOTTLES..... 21c | |
| VAN CAMP'S EVAPORATED MILK..... 74c | |
| DAVIS YEAST POWDER, 6-0Z. BOTTLES..... 34c | |

—First Floor, Balcony.

The Famous Hole-in-the-Wall.

Kenneth McDonald, born in Scotland, raised in Australia and educated in the sheep business in Wyoming, now owns the notorious "Hole-in-the-Wall," a remarkable geological formation about fifty miles north of Casper, where a tract of about eight square miles of excellent grazing land is completely enclosed by a wall of red gypsum, unclimbable cliffs, varying from one hundred to five hundred feet high. It can be reached by only one entrance and that less than two hundred feet wide. Until a few years ago this natural corral, which is as impenetrable as a medieval fortress and as well guarded against surprises, was occupied by gang of "rustlers"—cattle and sheep thieves, who used to prey upon the neighboring ranchmen, stealing their steers and their calves, and running them into the "Hole-in-the-Wall" enclosure, where they had plenty of grass, water and fuel and a very comfortable group of ranch houses. They guarded their entrance with great vigilance and, as the hole is nearly as large as eight sections of land, and about nine miles across, they were able to conceal their booty and prevent investigations. But, after a few years, the "rustlers" quarreled among themselves and their sin found them out. They were killed or hanged or driven out of Wyoming.

The big man at Casper is Pat Sullivan, a native of Bantry, County Cork, across the bay from Glemgariff, the loveliest spot in Ireland. Mr. Sullivan, like his patron, Mr. Mahoney, left Ireland for sound reasons, which might possibly be traced to politics. But he was a thoughtful boy in those days and did not have as much respect for the British government as he now has for the common council of Casper. John Mahoney, who left the same place for similar reasons several years before, wrote Pat to come out to Wyoming and he came. He got a job herding sheep for \$40 a month, and wandered over the ranges winter and summer, with his "couster," saving his money carefully, until he was able to buy a band of his own. Then he gradually

The Irishmen and their bank accounts are growing even more rapidly.

grew rich, until he is now one of the wealthiest and most influential men in the territory and a member of the state senate. Mahoney, however, more than 150 young Irishmen have come over from Bantry, his native town, and vicinity, and they began as he did with Mahoney, working for him at \$40 a month, and they are all now on the range.

Every mother's son of them is making good," said Mr. Sullivan, proudly. "There isn't a bad lad in the lot, and I am as proud of them as if they were my own sons. They let the drink alone, and save their money, and as soon as they get a little ahead they buy an interest in a band of sheep and pay for it out of the profit. When they get a band they have a good start, and many who have come over within the last twelve or fifteen years have made themselves practically independent in that way, and now they go on piling up the money in the bank."

Mr. Sullivan told me about Mr. Eugene McCarthy, a descendant of the famous McCarthy family of Bantry Castle, who is one of the most successful of the Irish boys, and promises to be one of the rich men of the state. He went back to Cork last summer to visit the old sod, but he says he will never go again until he can ride across the ocean in a wagon—first, because he doesn't like the motion of the steamer and second, because nearly all his old friends are gone.

Mrs. Moore's Success.

Of course, the country could not get along without a sheep queen, and the throne of Natrona county is occupied by Mrs. C. C. Moore, who has a ranch on Kirby creek, where she sheared \$5,000 the last winter, with an average of twelve pounds of wool per head, and sold it at twenty-two and a half cents a pound, which, if you ever studied arithmetic, makes out a handsome income for the good lady. She is the richest woman in Wyoming, worth about \$500,000 in sheep and lands and real estate in Casper, Cheyenne, Los Angeles and other cities. She has a winter home at Los Angeles, where she lives four or five months every year, and spends her summers on the range. She formerly camped all summer long with her sheep in an ordinary camp wagon and looked

after them herself. Then she built a house in Casper, but had to give it up because it was selected as the site for a new \$150,000 post office building, which Senator Warren has secured to reward his loyal supporters in this town.

But Mrs. Moore has had trouble, like the rest of us. About twenty years ago she lost every sheep in her flock, except about 250, by a cloudburst which washed them into eternity, but she gained that little bunch together, drove them up into the mountains herself, and attended strictly to business until she recovered her fortune and had acquired twice as many sheep as she lost.

When Mrs. Moore first came to Wyoming, about twenty-five years ago, she was the wife of Mr. Morrison, a sheepman, who died in 1880. A year later she married C. C. Moore, who was herding a band of her sheep on shares, and he has been a partner instead of a hired hand ever since, but she runs all the business; she wouldn't trust any one to manage her affairs, and not only has remarkable executive ability, but is considered one of the best sheep farmers in Wyoming and has the reputation of getting as much out of her flocks as any man in the territory. Her husband is a sort of assistant; her son is "running" sheep for his mother on shares; one daughter married to a lawyer at Casper; another to a farmer in Fremont and a third to a merchant at Sheridan, all of them enterprising and prosperous men, who are able to take care of themselves and their families and ask no assistance from their mother-in-law.

Mrs. Moore is by no means a conspicuous woman, notwithstanding her wealth, ability and influence. She dresses modestly, keeps out from under the electric light, never makes a splurge, never goes where she is not wanted and is a quiet, dignified, well-read, intelligent woman. She travels a good deal; has been everywhere in Europe, and has been around the world.

The docile sheep is a political issue in this part of the country, and there is a class of men who vote the democratic ticket at local elections but always support the republican candidate for Congress and the United States Senate with great enthusiasm. They are known as "sheep republicans" for the same reason that the high tariff cane planters of Louisiana are known as "sugar republicans." The tariff out here is distinctly a local issue and every man who owns a sheep is in favor of a high duty on wool. Mrs. Moore is the only important wool grower in this part of the country who doesn't take an active part in politics. Although women can vote and hold office in Wyoming, she never attends campaign meetings and never goes to the polls.

Personals of River Men.

Capt. Fales, master of the schooner William H. Yerkes, Jr., unloading ice here, was in Baltimore yesterday looking after a charter for his vessel.

W. B. Emmert, general manager of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company, has gone to Norfolk, Va., on a short visit.

Lieut. John R. Sutton of the harbor precinct is at Colonial Beach, Va., on sick leave, and Sergt. Russell Dean is acting lieutenant during his absence.

Pilot John T. Barclay of the Maryland Pilots' Association was in the city yesterday to join the Italian cruiser Bruria, which he piloted down the Potomac and Chesapeake bay to Cape Henry.

Capt. Tom Tolson, for several years a popular steamboat man on the Potomac, but who is now farming in King George county, Va., is in the city on a visit of several days.

Convention of Boys' Brigades.

The United Boys' Brigades of America will hold their sixteenth annual convention in Pittsburgh, Pa., October 1, 2 and 3. The program has not yet been completed, but many side trips are planned for the younger delegates.

A Connoisseur in Hats.

The police are looking for six hats that were stolen last night from a show case in front of 419 11th street northwest. The best hats were taken, the thief being careful not to take any cheaper grades of headgear.

LAND FOR IMMIGRANT STATION

SECRETARY NAGEL ANNOUNCES SELECTION IN BOSTON.

Cases of Many Delinquent Employees of the Department Disposed Of.

Several Appointments.

Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor has announced the selection for the new immigrant station at Boston, Mass., of the Jeffreys Yacht, stenographer, \$1,800; bureau of census; Pay S. Holbrook, New York, assistant physician, \$1,400; bureau of standards; William F. Willoughby, District of Columbia, assistant director of census, \$5,000; and Walter C. Shields, Washington, special disbursing agent, \$3 a day, bureau of census.

FOR SERVICE ON COAST.

Two Four-Masted Added to Atlantic Fleet of Schooners.

Two four-masted coasting vessels were this week added to the fleet for service on the Atlantic coast. The schooner Barbara, built for a Boston lumber company, was launched at Chelsea, Mass., early in the week. The vessel is over 200 feet long and will carry 625,000 feet of pine lumber. She will trade between southern lumber ports and Boston.

The schooner Florence Howard, was put overboard at Stonington, Conn., Wednesday, and she will be ready for her first cargo in a few days. The vessel, which was built for the American Shipping Company, is 150 feet long, 40 feet beam and 14 feet deep. Her timbers are of oak from trees that grew within the limits of Stonington. She is equipped with a 100-horsepower engine, has gasoline, and has power for hoisting sails and doing all heavy work. She will be called upon to show cause why they employed in the general coasting trade.

should not be separated from the service. Many of the remainder have been given probationary terms, which to effect an improvement in their work, and others have been sharply reprimanded. A few of the inspectors who have become incapacitated from infirmity or old age have been reduced to the grade of watchmen.

Of the 750 special agents of the census bureau twenty-five or thirty will be dismissed and there will be further investigation of about twenty more cases. Many will be reprimanded. Of the employees in this city twenty cases have already been disposed of. There are ninety more which will be attended to in about six weeks.

The following appointments are announced: Abraham Berglund, Washington, special agent, \$1,200, bureau of corporations; Eugene H. McDermott, West Virginia, stenographer, \$1,800, bureau of census; Pay S. Holbrook, New York, assistant physician, \$1,400, bureau of standards; William F. Willoughby, District of Columbia, assistant director of census, \$5,000; and Walter C. Shields, Washington, special disbursing agent, \$3 a day, bureau of census.

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